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LETTER DATED 14 MARCH 1996 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF TAJIKISTAN TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

I have the honour to transmit herewith the text of the resolution "On the progress of Inter-Tajik talks for national reconciliation under the aegis of the United Nations", adopted by Majlisi Oli (Parliament) of the Republic of Tajikistan on 11 March 1996.

I should be grateful if you would have the text of this letter and its annex circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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Annex

[Original: Russian]

Resolution of the Majlisi Oli (Parliament) of the Republic of Tajikistan on the progress of inter-Tajik talks for national reconciliation under the aegis of the United Nations

The Majlisi Oli (Parliament) of the Republic of Tajikistan, having considered the information provided by the head of the governmental delegation of the Republic of Tajikistan to the inter-Tajik talks and by the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Tajikistan, Mr. T. Nazarov, since the start of the negotiating process, notes that:

The inter-Tajik talks which began nearly two years ago with the mediation of the United Nations have been an important step towards the settlement of major political problems;

In the context of these talks the most acceptable means of restoring peace in the Republic and of bringing the positions closer together have been reviewed and initial bilateral results have been obtained; these have received the support of the country and have been approved by the world community;

However, in the process of settling the major issues that were being reviewed, certain difficulties have appeared which are not accidental and which reflect the real position and the political situation of the Republic;

In view of the facts, without losing hope of restoring national understanding, and expressing the Government's determination to ensure the return of the refugees to Tajikistan and to pursue the negotiations with a view to restoring peace in the Republic, the Majlisi Oli (Parliament) of the Republic of Tajikistan:

1. Decides to take note of the information concerning the activities of the governmental delegation of Tajikistan to the inter-Tajik talks.

2. Requests the governmental delegation to continue the talks until national understanding and peace are definitively restored, and to present a proposal aimed at continuing the talks on the territory of the Republic of Tajikistan.

3. Supports the position adopted during the talks by the governmental delegation with regard to the convening of a consultative forum of the people of Tajikistan in accordance with the Protocol signed on 17 August 1995 by Mr. E. C. Rakhmonov, President of the Republic of Tajikistan, and Mr. C. Nuri, leader of the Tajik opposition.

4. Requests the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan:

To establish, with a view to providing the delegation with specialized advisory services, a group of consultants consisting of experts, jurists,

politicians and eminent persons of the Republic, and to continue the radio and television broadcasts on the topic of national reconciliation;

To study the issue of taking a census of the population of the Republic, with the material support of the United Nations, and to submit a proposal to it on the subject;

In order to ensure effective monitoring of the implementation of the terms of the cease-fire, to submit to the United Nations a proposal for the establishment of monitoring posts and joint observation committees in the regions of Afghanistan situated on the Tajik border, in which armed groups of the Tajik opposition are concentrated.

President of the Majlisi Oli of the
Republic of Tajikistan

S. Radjabov

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